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TO: Minerals File

FROM: Tony Gallegos, Reclamation Engineer *aa*

RE: Site Inspection, Kelly Hall Mine, S/047/058, Uintah County, Utah

Date of Inspection: May 19, 1994

Time of Inspection: 11:45 - 12:47

Conditions: Fair, gusting winds

Participants: George Hackford, partner/operator; Tony Gallegos, DOGM

Purpose of Inspection: To evaluate the new small mine permit

I met George Hackford at the turnoff to the site and proceeded to the mine site. Access to the site is by taking the turnoff onto the dirt road, approximately 7.8 miles east of the bridge crossing the Green River just outside the town of Jensen. The turnoff could also be described as being 9/10 mile past the scenic overlook located east of Jensen on highway 40. So you would proceed past the scenic overlook for 9/10th mile and then turn right onto a dirt road. On the dirt road you would proceed close to a mile before turning left onto the powerline road (powerlines overhead). You follow this powerline road for maybe 1/10th mile and make a turnoff to the left. You are now on the road that would lead to Cow Wash right next to the outcrop known as The Rim. If this road was considered part of the mining disturbance, it would be about 10 feet wide and approximately 1/10th of a mile long to the mine site.

The site consists of a small excavation in the material next to the outcrop known as The Rim on the topographic map. The disturbance at this time is small, probably less than a quarter of an acre. Access to the site is along some existing roads, and then turning off the existing road onto, what George indicated had been a trail prior to the mine operations. The trail lead from the power line road to Cow Wash. That road may not be considered part of the mine disturbance.

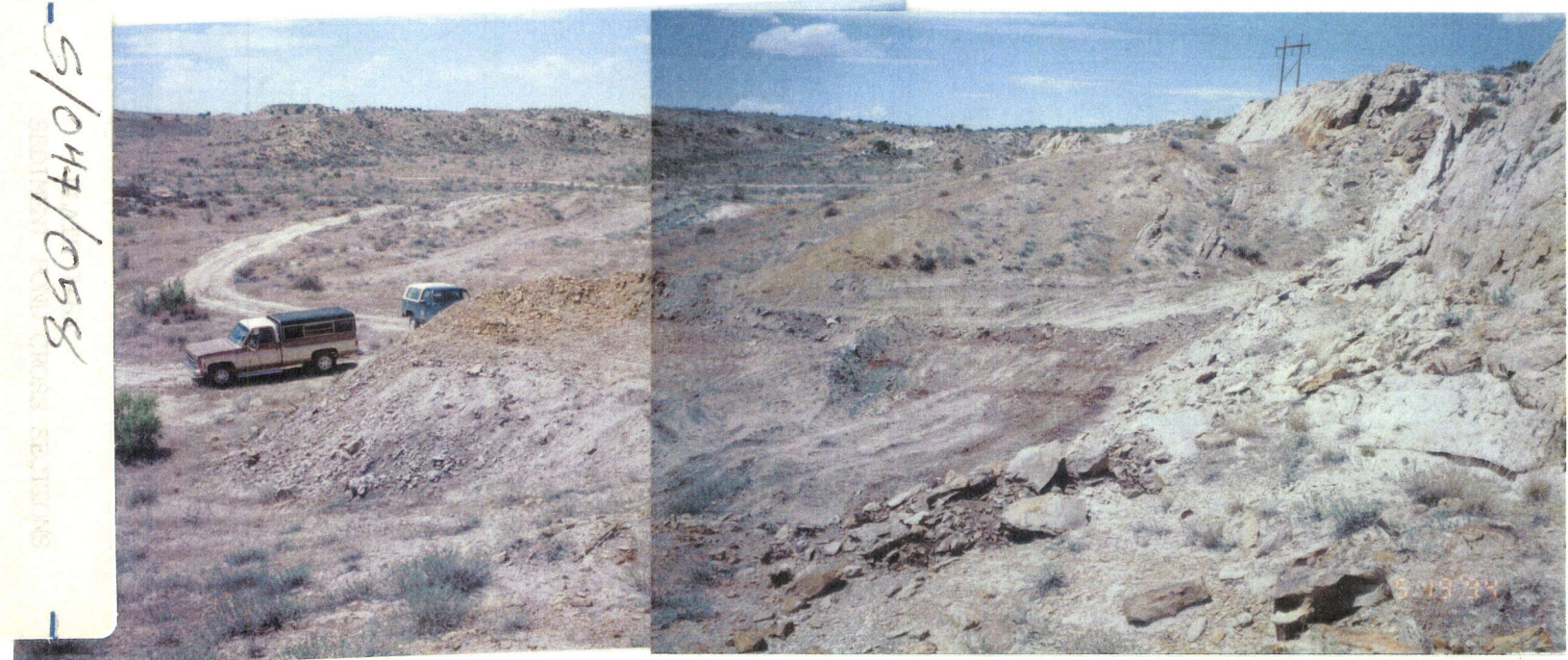
At this time, they are not doing a great deal of mining. They are taking samples and evaluating the material. They may be moving in a pilot plant sometime if the test results prove favorable. They are mining the material for precious metals. They currently have a state lease. I discussed the situation in going from a small mine to a large mine with Mr. Hackford. I mentioned if they do go to a large mine, the Division would recognize any bonds they had posted with State Lands. I informed Mr. Hackford that we would bond the site for the reclamation costs that the state would incur if we had to reclaim the site, which would be more than if the operator were going to reclaim the site. There were no outstanding permit concerns with the site. It is a fairly arid location. They are mining some of the outcrop material which is a carbonaceous shale or other shale materials. There is minimal topsoil in the area they have mined.



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Photographs were taken, looking east and west at the mine disturbance. The amount of existing vegetation can be seen in the photographs. I informed Mr. Hackford that after July 1, 1994, Division of State Lands and Forestry would be changed and the management of State Lands would be handled by a different agency. I had no information as to who would be the contact for that or where that agency would be located.

jb
cc: George Hackford, partner of Kelly Hall
Kelly Hall, operator
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